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WHEN YOU BUY FROM US YOU BUY DIRECT FROM ONE OF THE LARGEST ORCHID IMPORTERS

WE SELL TO DEALERS THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES THAT IN
TURN, SELL TO YOU.

We do not have listed here all the plants that it is possible for you to grow in your home. Neither can we list all the plants that we have. We are collectors and find many plants that we cannot list for they are scarce, we would not be able to have them in stock all the time. We will send out specials on our mailing list if you have purchased from us this year. If not it will be necessary for you to mail us a letter requesting these specials.

We collect our own plants and import them. Being located here directly on the border where we can import and clear our own plants through the customs enables us to give you the freshest collected plants on the market.

Many times we find unusual specimen plants. Some we are familiar with, other we are not. Many times the Indians bring in plants that are so large they can only carry a few of these at a time. If you are one of the people that collect specimen plants, please advise us and we will notify you of any show plants. They range in price from \$2.00 to \$20.00 according to size and variety.

WE DO NOT SELL OSMUNDA FIBER. YOU CAN PURCHASE IT FROM **WILLARD S. PHIPPS, ROUTE No. 1, Box No. 504 AUBURNDALE, Florida.** Write him for price on Hobby Bag or a bale.

EASY SUGGESTION FOR POTTING AND WATERING ORCHID PLANTS

We are not experts, this is just to help those that are not familiar with handling Orchids. This is also the way we pot and care for our plants. We grow them very successfully.

Place your Osmunda Fiber in a large container and soak for an hour or more. Shred in small pieces for easier handling. Fill flower pot 1/4 with pieces of charcoal or pieces of broken flower pots. Some use small stones. This is to insure good drainage. Then pack your Osmunda Fiber piece at a time using a potting stick (piece of wood, sharpened like pencil on one end) be sure your fiber is packed well. If your plant does not have roots pack fiber to about 1 inch from the top of pot and then cut some very stiff wire and shape it like a hairpin and fasten your plant with (hairpin) on the fiber. Be careful never to cover your bulbs with fiber. Use only clay pots never use glazed.

If you prefer your plants in baskets use the same method always making sure your plants are secure and not loose. You can tie the wire through bottom of basket. If your plant is potted correctly you will be able to pick pot up with plant and it will not come out.

If you can purchase cork bark you do not have to have Osmunda Fiber. Just use a drill or ice pick and punch holes and use a soft copper wire to secure your plant to the cork. Be careful and do not cut plant by pulling wire to tight. If you like rustic effect use piece of Oak with Bark still on, use some large headed tacks and tack some Osmunda Fiber on log first, then you can either wire your plant on log or if is a large plant just place nail through an old back bulb. By the time your plant has started to growing you will be able to pull the nail out. We water mounted plants every day. Water your potted plants well and allow them to dry out, then water again thoroughly.

We don't care how Mr. or Mrs. So-and-So pots, mounts or waters their plants. This is the way we handle ours and we have great success with them.

We do recommend our customers to join a good Orchid Society, that way you can learn anything new that comes up, new growing methods etc. It will not cost you a lot and you will enjoy every page. There are other dealers listed in them but we are not afraid of competition. If any one can sell the same quality and size plants we do for the money we would be happy for you to buy from them. Our plants are exactly as described in this folder. We sell on a money back Guarantee. Out of almost 1,000 orders, we had one reported frozen. We ship throughout the year.

SPANISH CORK BARK IS EXCELLENT FOR MOUNTING PLANTS. IT IS VERY

ATTRACTIVE. We can supply this at \$1.00 per lb. It is light and a couple of pounds is a large piece. Order only with plants. This is very rustic looking and comes in pieces up to 4 ft.

AMATEUR COLLECTORS SPECIAL

5 Plants \$6.00

We always have a special of 5 plants for \$6.00. These are un-established bare root plants. You will receive our choice and they will be plants that we happen to have the most of when your order arrives. These plants have bloomed and are not seedlings but full size plants that will bloom at their normal blooming time. If you do not want to bother buying material to plant them, we will mount them for \$5.00 making a total of \$11.00.

COLLECTION NO. 2 FOR THE ADVANCED COLLECTOR

Black Orchid Collection

This is a collection of Orchids that are harder to obtain and of the very best stock. Also they are largely selected from thousands of plants. Being so large we would rather send Railway express as heavier packages are just as reasonable sent Express as Parcel Post and they are automatically insured. Order No. 2 Black Orchid. 10 plants mounted \$25.00. We Guarantee these plants and if they should be planted in a basket mounted on cork, or fern We will plant them the way they will grow best. We have circulars from other dealers that charge as much as \$20.00 for one of these plants. This includes THE BLACK ORCHID.

10 Plants mounted \$25.



STANHOPEA TIGRINA

BLACK ORCHID

Stanhopea Tigrina the so called Black Orchid Flowers 7 inches across. Sepals and petals dark maroon blotched on all sides with maroon purple. The middle and interior parts whitish spotted with purple. May, July, Mexico to Venezuela. Do not pot this plant it must be planted in baskets for the blooms come from the bottom. Bare Root \$3.50 Mounted \$4.00 Specimen plants in basket 10.00

LAELIAS NATIVE TO TROPICAL AMERICA

Epiphytes with one or two leaves, pseudo bulbs and flowers solitary or in racemes, very showy, the sepals and petals similar lip 3 lobed. They thrive in an intermediate temperature. These are corsage type flowers.



LAELIA ANCEP



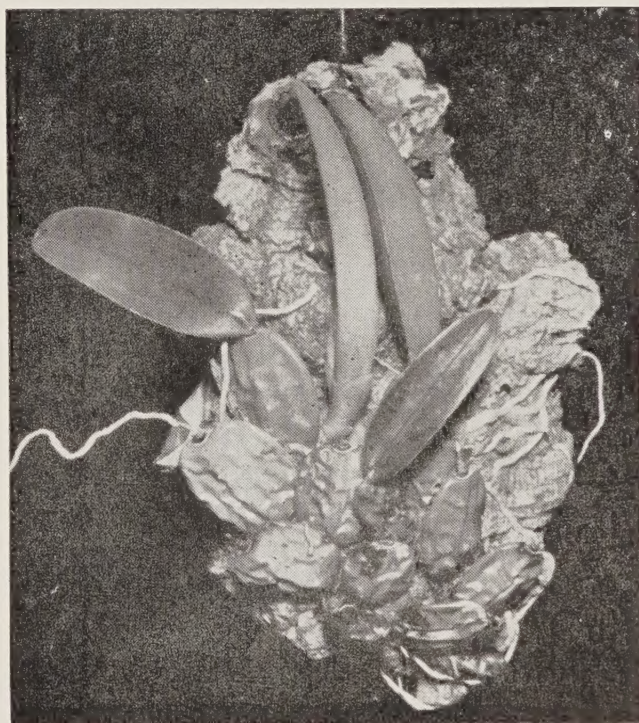
LAELIS ANCEP— Flower about 4 inches across, violet rose, lip tawny yellow, throat lined with purple. These flowers will last several weeks. One of the easiest plants to bloom. Bare Root \$2.50 Mounted \$3.75.

All the following plants are available BARE ROOT MOUNTED ON SPANISH CORK BARK OR FERN ROOT SLABS,

LAELIA RUBESCENS— Many flowers White to rose purple,, lip dark purple base to lip. Blooms Sept. Mar. July Bare Root \$2.50. Mounted \$3.50.

LAELIA GRANDIFLORA or MAJALIS—This plant has the largest flower of all the Mexican Laelias Fl. up to 9 inches across. Flowers from light Orchid to purple. Blooms Easter and Mother Day. Flower lasts 4 to 6 weeks. Bare Root \$2.50 Mounted \$3.50.

LAELIA AUTUMNALIS—4 to 9 flowered to 4½ in. across. Rose purple lip white near base. Blooms Oct. April Easy to bloom. Bare Root \$ 3.50 Mounted \$ 4.50.



LAELIA RUBESCENS

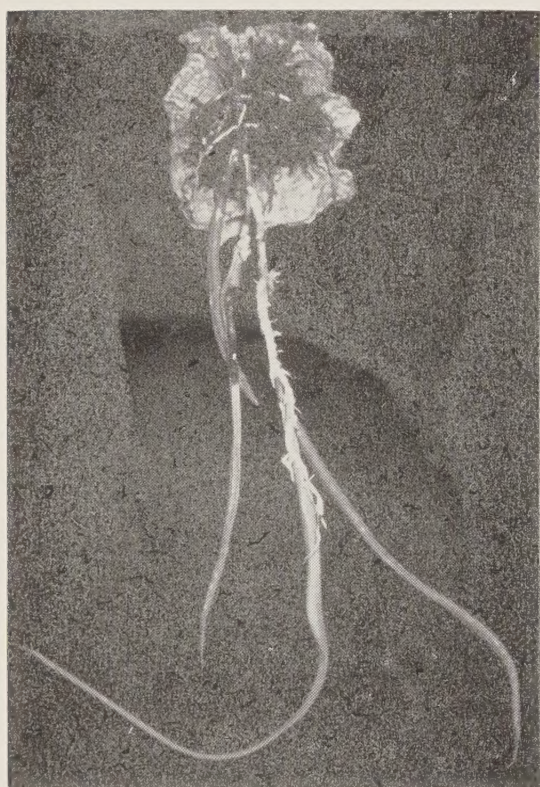
The plants listed here are all plants that we usually have in stock, but we would appreciate a second choice just in case we do not have one of the plants you order. We never substitute without your written permission.

EPIDENDRUMS

EPIDENDRUMS— Epiphytic Orchids native in Tropical America. They are plants of various habit and require intermediate temperature. We have several collectors that like this species so well that they do not want any others. It is understandable for they range from the tiniest blooms to very large Colors range from Dark purple to pure white, Golden yellow to rust, dark brown and maroon.

EPIDENDRUM AROMATICUM— Flowers range in color from pale yellow, olive green to a deep rust color. These flowers are very fragrant and long lasting. This is one of our favorites for you cant's fail to make it bloom.

5 to 8 bulb plant	B. R.	\$ 1.50	Mounted	\$ 2.50
10 to 12 bulb plant	B. R.	\$ 2.50	Mounted	\$ 3.50
Specimen plants	B. R.	\$ 3.50	Mounted	\$ 5.00



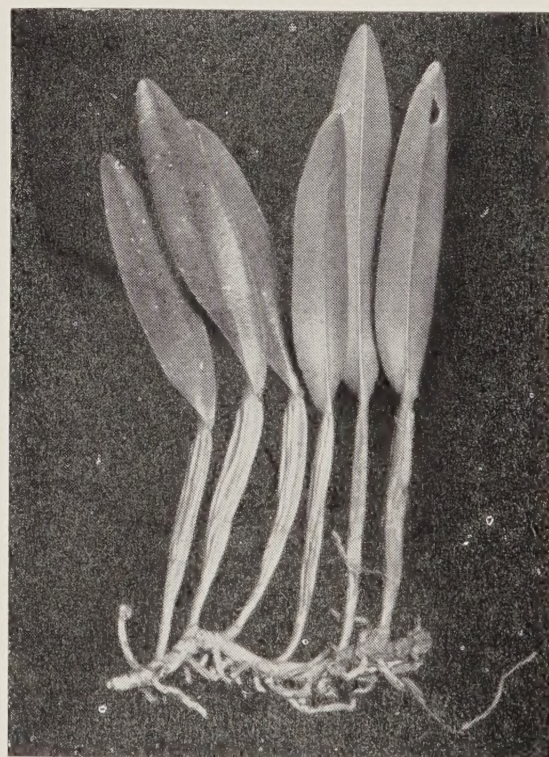
EPIDENDRUM FALCATUM

EPIDENDRUM FALCATUM— White spidery flower about 5 inches across. Flower lasts about three weeks or more the last several days the flowers turns orange. This is a very interesting plant, we recommend planting in a basket or better still to mount it on a raft. Some of these plants are over a yard long. Blooms April and May. We sell them mounted on Cork bark or fern root slabs. Bare Root \$3.50 mounted \$4.50.



EPIDENDRUM AROMATICUM

EPIDENDRUM MARIAE—Dainty white flowers. This plant is naturally a small growing variety. We never seem to have enough to fill our retail demand and are hardly ever able to wholesale them. It is not always available. Bare root plants \$2.00 Mounted \$3.00.



EPIDENDRUM CILIARE

EPIDENDRUM NEMORALE—Flowers Rose to purple has about 8 flower on stem 4 inches across and up. This is a good plant and a favorite with everyone. Blooms April to July.

Bare Root	\$3.50
Mounted	\$4.50

EPIDENDRUM PENTOTIS — Spike short terminal flowers, yellowish about 3 inches, fragrant lip white with purple. March to May

Bare Root	\$2.00
Mounted	\$3.00



EPIDENDRUM COCHLEATUM

EPIDENDRUM COCHLEATUM— This plant has a lot of lovely green foliage and is a nice looking plant even when not in bloom. After it is established it will stay in flower most of the year. Dark lip almost black. Greenish yellow sepals and petals. Not a corsage type flower but you will find this in almost every good collection.

Bare Root \$2.50	Mounted \$3.50
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EPIDENDRUM VIRGATUM— This plants has a red brown flower 1½ inches across and has many blooms. Grows from Mexico to Honduras.

Bare Root \$2.50.	Mounted \$3.50
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EPIDENDRUM FRAGRANS— Flowers very fragrant few to several flowers; racemes sepals and petals yellowish white; lip lined with violet. Blooms all year.

Bare Root plants \$3.00	Mounted \$4.00
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EPIDENDRUM TAMPENSE— This plant has been so greatly advertised that we don't need to say much about it. Sepals yellowish green and tinged with brown. Petals similar but browner. Lip 3 lobed, white with magenta purple lines lobe nearly orbicular, some times white or magenta.

Bare Root \$2.00	Mounted \$3.00
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EPIDENDRUM ATROPURPUREUM — 4 to 13 flowers 3 inches across sepals and petals greenish brown often tinged with purple; lip white or yellow with purplish stripes. December to March, Mexico to Panama.

Bare Root \$ 4.50	Mounted \$ 5.50
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EPIDENDRUM FRAGRANS

EPIDENDRUM CILIARAE—Pseudo bulbs to about 7 inches. Looks a little like Cattleya Skinnerii. In fact our Collectors often mistake it for Skinnerii. 1 to 2 leathery leaves rarely to 11, inches long, flowers in loose racemes; sepals and petals very narrow, yellowish green; lip 3 lobed, white with two yellow spots at base, side lobes deeply fringed, mid lobe very narrow. Blooms all year. Tropical Am.

Bare Root \$2.00	Mounted \$3.00
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ODONTOGLOSSUM'S EPIPHYTIC

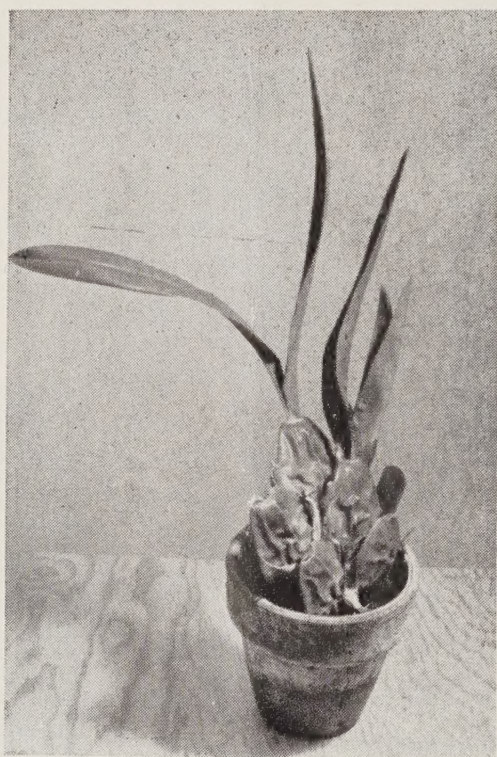
TROPICAL AMERICAN ORCHIDS WITH 1 OR 2 LEAVES

Pseudo bulbs and flowers in lateral racemes or panicles, the sepals and petals nearly equal, the lip with claw parallel to column and spreading midlobe. The Cult, species are mostly native in high elevations and are a little difficult if you cannot give them a cool place to grow. They require a cool house. Some of these plants are not to difficult even in hot climates. We have bloomed. *O. Pulchellum* and *Odontoglossum Citrosmum* here in Laredo. Many times through out the year you will hear on the weather broadcasts that Laredo was the hot spot of the nation. All *Odontoglossums* will not grow here, that is the reason you will only find a few of them listed here.



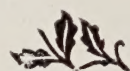
ODONTOGLOSSUM TRIUMPHANS— Up to 10 flowers, about 3½ inches across; sepals and petals golden yellow blotched with red brown. Lip white or yellow, at base cinnamon brown bordered with white or yellow above. March to May. Columbia.

Bare Root	\$4.00
Mounted	\$5.00



ODONTOGLOSSUM CITROS MUM— Many flowered, commonly, racemos flowers about 2½ inches across Sepals and petals white or sometime rose tinted; lip rose to Lilac. This should be planted in a basket or mounted for the flower hangs down. The photo here was taken in May in Laredo.

Bare Root	\$3.50
Mounted	\$4.50

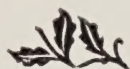


ODONTOGLOSSUM PULCHELLUM— Lily of the Valley Orchid. Up to 10 flowers 1½ inches across, fragrant white except at base of lip,, which is yellow dotted with red December to May. Central America.

Bare Root	\$ 2.50
Mounted	\$ 3.50

ONCIDIUMS ARE EPIPHYTICS

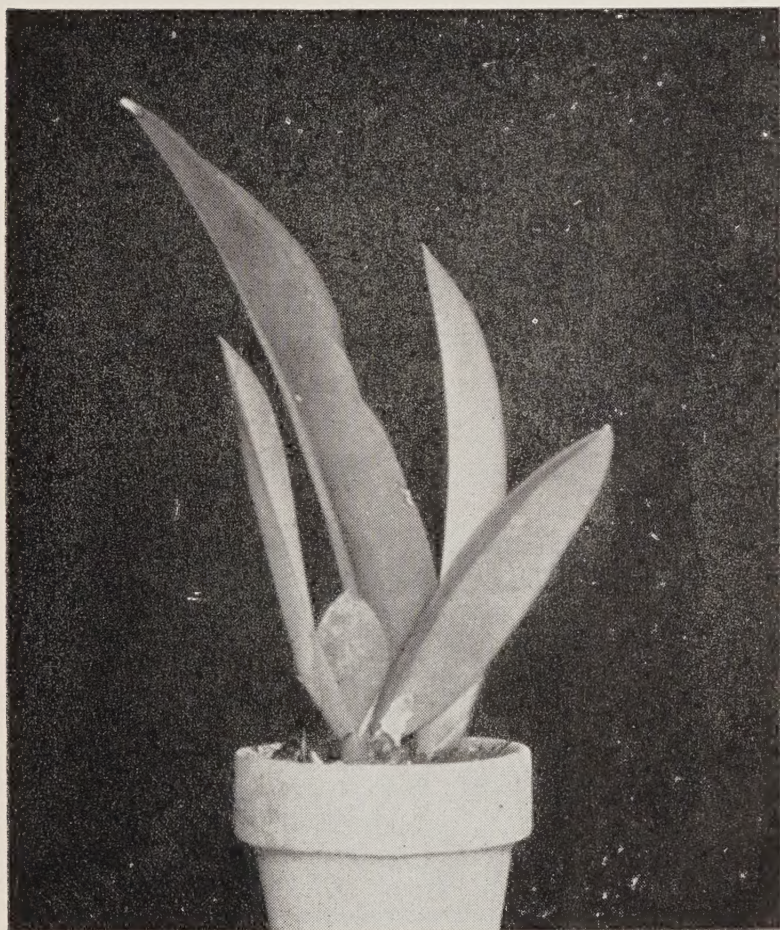
NATIVE to tropical America with commonly 1 and 2 leaves; pseudo bulbs and flowers in lateral racemes or panicles the sepals and petals often nearly equal, the lip usually 3 lobed and crested or tubercled at base. These are plants of both cool Mts. and low hot regions, of various requirements and culture. Depending on the species; they usually require considerable sun and air.



ONCIDIUM CARTHAGINENSE— Grows and looks almost exactly like Cavendishianum the only way we can tell them apart is by keeping them separate as they grow in different locations.

Bare Root \$3.00

Mounted \$4.00



ONCIDIUM CAVENDISHIANUM — Pseudo bulbs much reduced, with 1 oblong elliptic leaf to about 1 ft. inch flower usually paniculate and many flowered fls. rather large, yellow; sepals and petals commonly spotted with brown. Blooms October to May grows from Mexico to Guatemala. Bare Root \$3.00 Mounted \$4.00 Specimen plants mounted or potted \$7.50 to \$10.00. These are huge plants.

ONCIDIUM LURIDUM— Differs from Carthaginense in it's larger flowers and dull red to yellowish brown sepals and petals which are some times tinged with violet. Central America.

Bare Root \$3.50

Mounted \$4.50



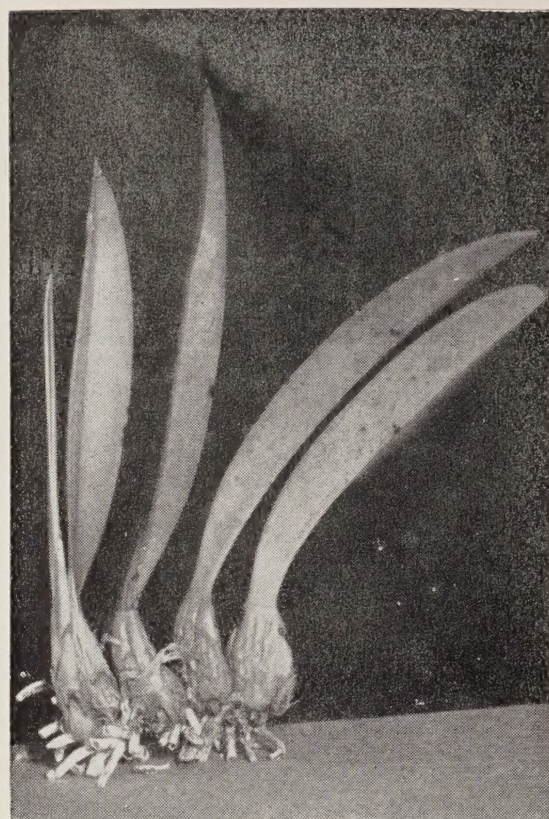
ONCIDIUM SPHACELATUM— I have seen these plants with as many as 1,000 flowers or a stem almost 5 ft. long. Flowers about 1 in. across; sepals and petals yellow, spotted with brown. Lip golden yellow with red brown band in front of crest. These flowers are long lasting. February to September.

Bare Root \$ 3.00

Mounted \$ 4.00

ONCIDIUMS'

ONCIDIUM SPLENDIDUM— VAR?— We do not find a good description of this plant but it has pseudo bulbs about 2 inches heavy dark green with 1 stiff leaf, like leather. It blooms in a spray with branches on spray. Large flowers yellowish green. It has a flat lip like Onc. Tigrina. Winter bloomer. These plants can be grown in leaf mold and soil.



ONCIDIUM SPLENDIDUM VAR?



ONCIDIUM HASTATUM



ONCIDIUM HASTATUM—This will be a favorite with everybody that has one. The flower looks almost like a miniature Odontoglossum Grande. Flowers about 1½ inches across. The one in photo had two stems with about 40 flowers and the bloom lasted over two months. This photo was made after 6 weeks in bloom and was sent parcel post to Mass. Where the photo was made. We were afraid the flowers would die, many of the flowers fell off in packing but several still remained.

Bare Root plants \$3.50

Mounted plants \$4.50

ONCIDIUM CEBOLLETA—Bulbs small with 1 slender cylindrical leaf up to 23 in. long in flower; commonly paniculate and many flowered to nearly 4 ft. long. Flowers rather large dull to bright yellow; spotted with red-brown, blooms January to May.

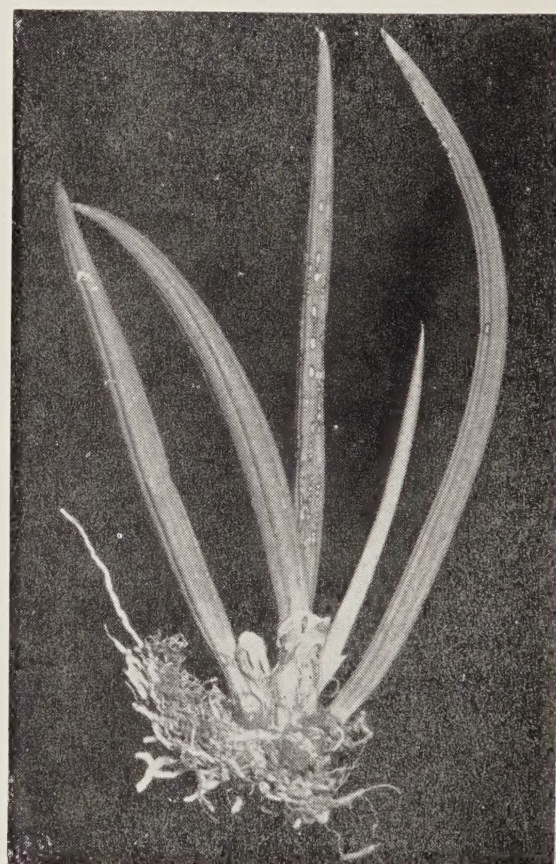
Bare Root \$3.00.

Mounted \$4.00

ONCIDIUM TIGRINA— This is not a large plant by nature, but it is one of the best oncidiums and has beautiful showy long lasting flowers about 3 inches across. Sepals and petals are greenish yellow blotched with brown; lip large and yellow, blooms October to February.

Bare Root \$3.50.

Mounted \$4.50



ONCIDIUM CEBOLLETA



CATTLEYA SKINNERII— Leaves 2, elliptic, to 8 in. long, flowers 4 to 5 in. across 4 rarely 13 together. Rose purple with yellowish white in throat of lip. Blooms January to August. Central American.

Bare Root	\$3.00
We have these potted at	\$4.00
Mounted	\$4.00
and in Baskets	\$4.00

CATTLEYAS

Cattleya Gaskelliana	\$6.50
Cattleya Mossiae	\$6.50
Cattleya Trianae	\$6.50
Cattleya Percivalliana	\$6.50
These are out of 5 in. pots.	

Notice Carefully

The following plants are available only about once in 2 months. If we have just received them when your order comes in, we will send them immediately, if not we will book your order and send fresh plants when they come in.

We only sell these for the convenience of our customers.

Lycaste Skinnerii	\$5.00
Odontoglossum Bictoniense	\$5.00
Cynoches Chlorochilon	\$5.00



CATTLEYA CITRINA— This plant is called The Tulip orchid; strap shaped leaf; flowers citron yellow, lip white on edges and wavy, drooping. Mount with leaves and bulbs hanging down. April to June Mexico. Bare Root \$3.00 Mounted \$3.50 Baskets \$ 4.50.

SCHOMBURGKIS TIBICINIS

These are naturally a very large plant, pseudo bulbs subcylindric hollow to 24 inches tall with 2 leaves; many flowers 3½ inches across. Sepal and petal very wavy marined, red-brown lilac or burnt orange; lip whitish with yellow center and lilac apex. February to August. Bare Root \$ 4.50 Mounted \$ 5.00



BRASSAVOLA

Cucullata Flowers usually solitary, the sepals and petals orange yellow or white. Lip white, toothed on edges with long point.

Bare Root \$2.00

Mounted \$3.00



BRASSAVOLA GLAUCA— Pseudo bulbs or sts. clavate to 4 inches high 1 leaved, leaf to over 6 inches long, fleshy; 1 Infl. 1 fld. about as long as the leaf arising from an elongate flattened spathe fls. to 5½in. across sepals and petals pale olive green lip cordate, convolute around the collum at base white.

Bare Root \$3.50

Mounted \$4.50



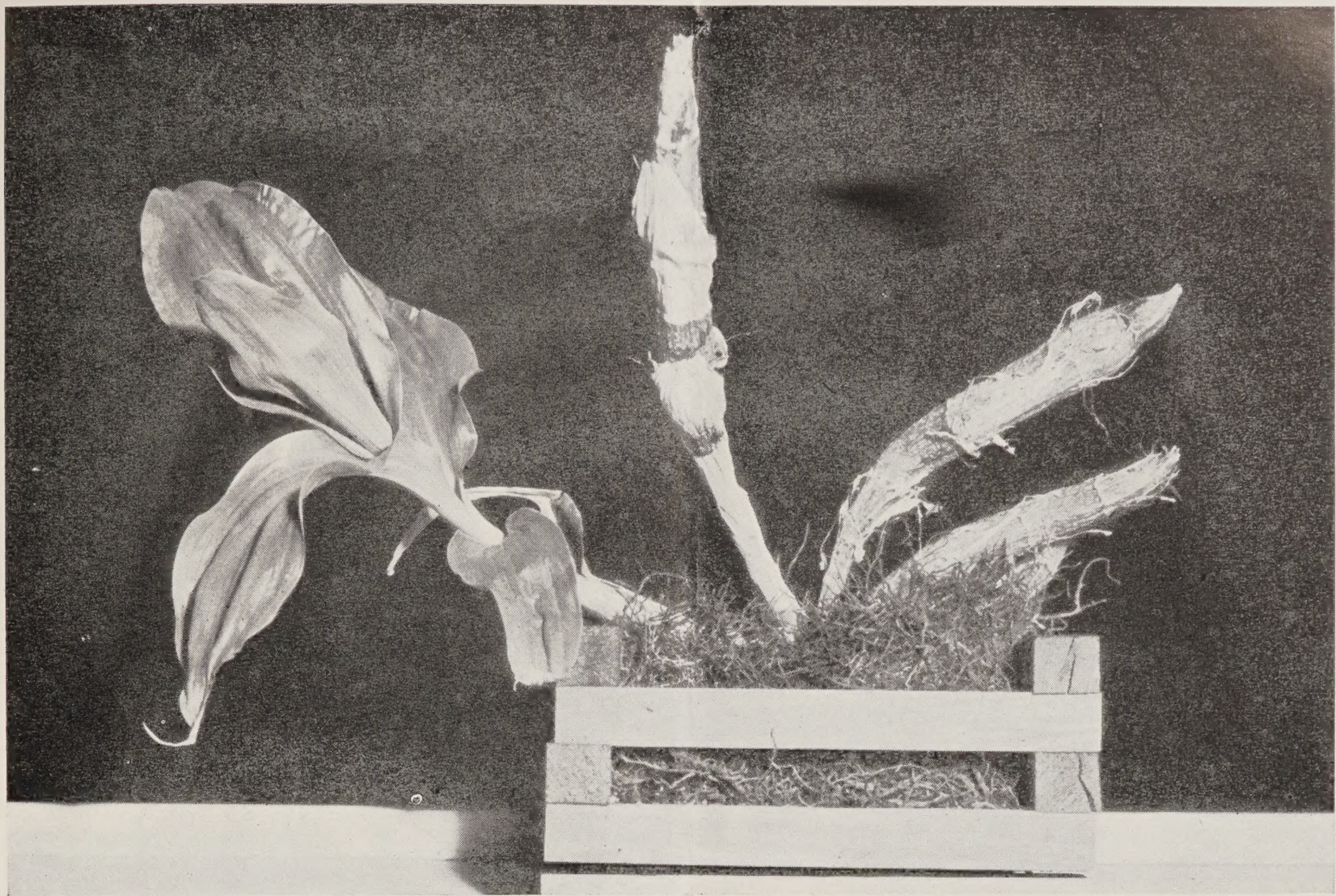
BRASSAVOLA NODOSA PURE WHITE IF AVAILABLE we do not have this in stock all the time when ordering you must give a second choice

Bare Root \$3.00

Mounted \$4.00



BRASSAVOLA CUCULLATA



CHYSIS BRACDESCENS— Flowers to 4 inches across, 3 to 8 flowers partially drooping racemes, ivory with yellow lip marked with red or purple. We always have many plants of this variety. Bare Root \$2.50 Mounted \$3.50 Specimen mounted \$5.00.

VANILLA

Why not grow your own. This is a true Orchid. Vanilla Planifolia 12 to 14 inches cuttings. This is grown on totums, like philodendrons, flowers greenish to yellow about 2½ inches across, many flowers pods 3 angled 6 to 9 inches long, 12 inches cutting and up \$ 2.00 not mounted.

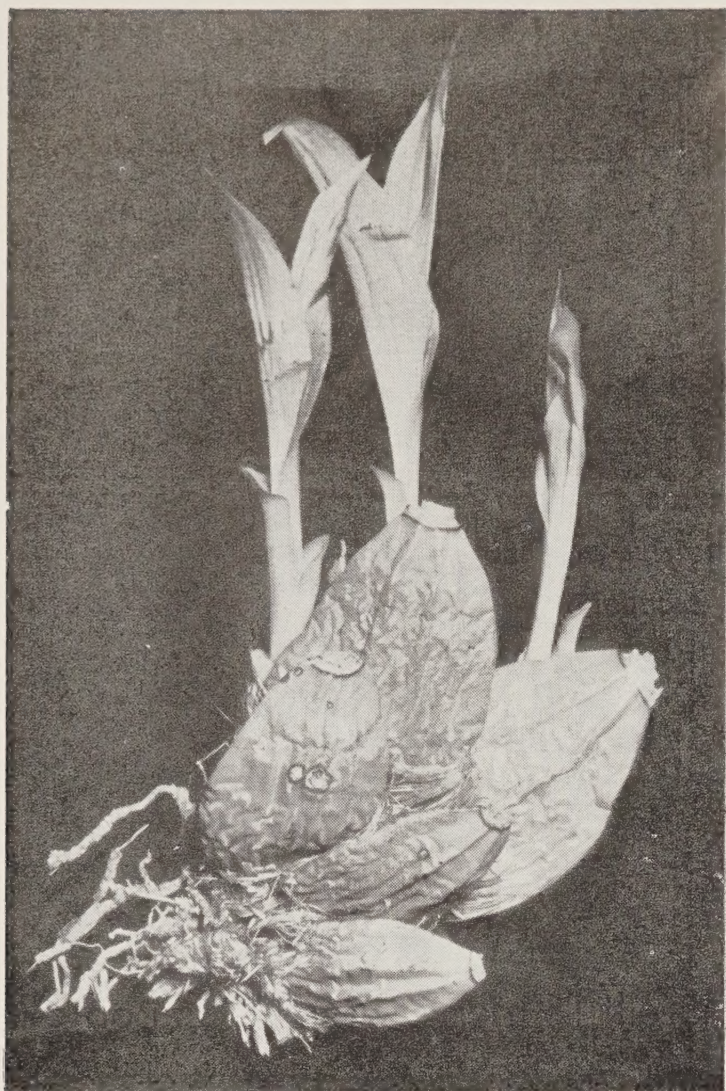
BRASSIA VERRUCOSSA—We cannot find a discription in any of the orchid books we have. The flowers are a little like the B. Cucullata only there are dozens of them on one stem.

Bare Root \$3.00

Mounted plants \$4.00

GONGORA GELEATA— Pseudo bulbs 1 3/4 inches long leaves to 1 ft. long ,and 1 3/4 inches wide flowers, brownish yellow or wine color, on arching pedicels in racemes to 8 inches long June to September. Mexico.

Bare Root \$2.00 Mounted \$3.00 Basket \$4.00



LYCASTE AROMATICA

MAXALARIAS'

Assorted varieties of Maxalaria including Tenuifolia. We always received several of these plants in each shipment and they are so nice not to let someone have the pleasure of growing them and watching their interesting blooms.

Bare Root \$1.50

Mounted \$2.50

CYRTOPODIUM PUNCTATUM

EPHIPHYTIC or TERRESTRIAL— We prefer to plant them in the soil a rich mixture of soil and leaf mold. Long plaited leaves and flowers in lateral racemes or panicles, the sepals and petals nearly equal the lip 3 lobed; sepals greenish yellow irregularly spotted with brown, lip with narrow claw, yellow edged with red or madder purple, February to May. Bare Root plants \$3.50 Large \$5.00 Larger \$10.00.



LYCASTE AROMATICA — Fls. $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. across. Orange yellow very fragrant. A small plant will often have several flower stems. The lip is often spotted with red. January, April, October.

Bare Root \$2.50

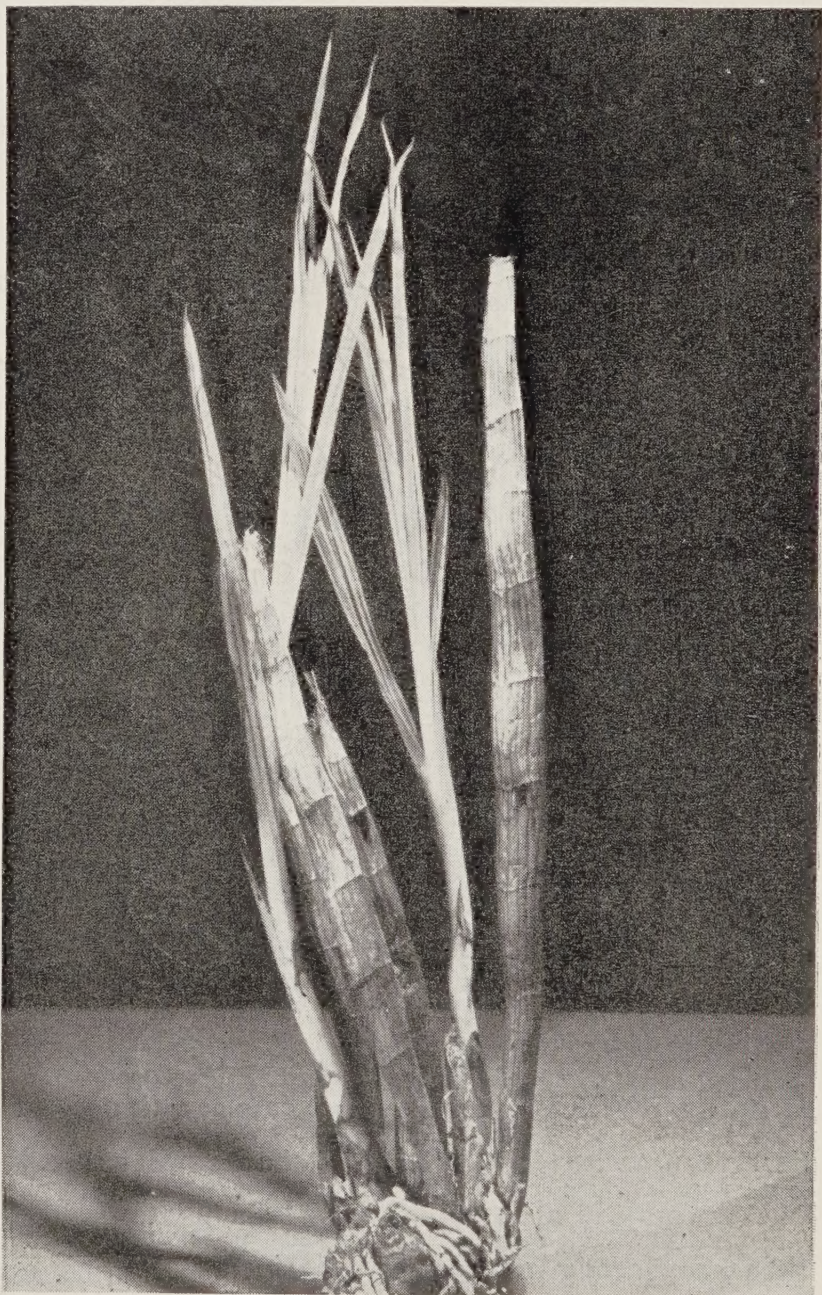
Mounted \$3.50



LYCASTE DEPPEI— Flowers to over 4 inches across. Greenish spotted with red. Petals ivory white. lip white and yellow spots.

Bare Root \$2.50

Mounted \$3.50



CYRTOPODIUM PUNCTATUM



MORMODES ASSORTED

We have several varieties of this plant, they are allied to Catasetum which it differs in it's perfect flowers. This plant can be planted in soil. Naturally a very large bulb plant.

Bare Root

\$3.50

Mounted in basket

\$4.50

NOTE CAREFULLY

Parcel Post is far cheaper than express. We cannot estimate exactly what your plants will weigh but we charge a minimum of \$1.00 for postage and packing on 6 plants. Please send postage accordingly. Large orders will be less expensive to ship Via Railway Express which can be collect We do not ship Plants C. O. D.

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